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This is UNEVALUATED Information

1. On 11 December 1953, 6 to 8 AA guns estimated as of 80 cm were emplaced in the area of Biala Podlaska (S 53/34 UFG 4667) railroad station, 25 to 30 meters south of the railroad line. No operating personnel were observed near the guns.
2. A row of 35 aircraft was seen on the airfield southeast of Biala Podlaska. The aircraft engines pointed toward the railroad line. No personnel were observed near the aircraft. Polish double sentries patrolled south of the railroad line.
3. During the morning of 8 April, Polish laborers were working on the spur track east of Lask (Q 52/34 UCG 7117) railroad station. Rails were being shipped on small hand-pushed cars from the storage place east of the railroad station toward the southeast. The spur track began about 50 meters east of Lask railroad station, extended parallel to the main railroad line for a stretch of 500 to 600 meters, and then curved to the southeast. No connection to the main track was observed. Source did not observe a bridge over Grabia River in the extension of the spur track under construction (sic).²
4. During the morning of 9 April, about 20 aircraft were observed on the airfield which was located just southeast of Biala Podlaska. The aircraft were parked west and east of the hangar which was about 60 meters from the railroad line. An additional 10 aircraft were each being pushed by 3 or 4 men into the hangar from the south. All of the personnel wore gray-brown flying suits and garrison caps. One aircraft ~~observed~~ over the field at an altitude of about 200 meters. All of the aircraft observed were biplanes with radial engines and the Polish nationality marking. A gray lane extended from east to west on the airfield. A group of 30 to 40 EM wearing gray-brown flying suits without insignia, with garrison caps, and carrying map cases on long straps over their shoulders left the easternmost quartermaster building west of the hangars, then crossed the rails and disappeared in a brick building about 400 meters northwest of Biala Podlaska railroad station. The EM were 20 to 25 years old.

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1. Comment. Biala Podlaska airfield is occupied by a Polish flying school which is equipped with Po-2s.

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2. Comment. The report confirms the information by another source on the construction of a new rail way track from Lask to the east. According to available information the track is scheduled to extend from Lask to the villages of Gorzayn and Haurica, where an airfield is to be constructed.

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